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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

No. 04-10699

Plaintiff - Appellee,

D.C. No. CR-02-20070-JW

v.

**MEMORANDUM**\*

MIGUEL VERDUSCO,

Defendant - Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of California James Ware, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted November 8, 2005\*\*

Before: WALLACE, LEAVY and BERZON, Circuit Judges.

Miguel Verdusco appeals the 160-month sentence imposed following his guilty-plea conviction for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 846.

<sup>\*</sup> This disposition is not appropriate for publication and may not be cited to or by the courts of this circuit except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

<sup>\*\*</sup> This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Verdusco contends that because he was sentenced under mandatory

Sentencing Guidelines we should remand for further proceedings consistent with *United States v. Ameline*, 409 F.3d 1073 (9th Cir. 2005) (en banc). However, we

conclude that Verdusco is bound by the terms of his plea agreement and decline to

vitiate the terms of his bargained-for exchange with the government. *See United States v. Cortez-Arias*, 403 F.3d 1111, 1114 n.8 (9th Cir. 2005), *amended by* 425

F.3d 547, 548 (stating that "a favorable change in the law does not entitle a

defendant to renege on a knowing and voluntary guilty plea" and that an "express
and generally unrestricted waiver of appeal rights forecloses . . . objections . . .

pursuant to *Booker* or *Ameline*").

## DISMISSED.